

November 29, 2012

2012 - #4

To: Nonprofit Organizations

From: Terry Edelstein, Nonprofit Liaison to Governor Malloy

Re: FEMA INFORMATION AND NONPROFIT UPDATES FROM THE

NONPROFIT LIAISION

FEMA PUBLIC ASSISTANCE LITCHFIELD TOLLAND AND WINDHAM COUNTIES

Please see the information at the end of this broadcast regarding "Public Assistance Briefing Schedule" for nonprofit organizations in Litchfield, Tolland and Windham counties. Important meetings are scheduled for December 5th, 6th and 7th.

GOVERNOR'S NONPROFIT LIAISON COMMUNICATIONS

I'm glad to have heard from so many organizations in my eight weeks on the job as the Governor's Nonprofit Liaison.

I've sent out four email broadcasts this month, two of them directly related to Hurricane Sandy, most recently with Public Assistance information for the southern counties. You'll see that the broadcast above is numbered 2012 - #4.

We're still working on building a database of nonprofit contractors. As you can imagine, the contact information changes from day to day. I am relying on Meg Riding from OPM, your state agency contract managers and the CEOs of your trade associations to assist in transmitting these broadcasts.

Please email Meg Riding to be included directly on the provider database that we are creating. Meg.Riding@ct.gov

MEETINGS AND COMMUNICATIONS

I've had the opportunity to meet with a number of trade associations and local coalitions as well as individual organizations in the past two months. I'm still working on scheduling meetings with those of you who have contacted me.

I look forward to meeting with your associations and regional coalitions in the coming months. Please invite me to attend your meetings so that I can learn more about the services that you provide.

STATE BUDGET SITUATION AND TIMELINES

State Agency Budget and Legislative Recommendations: These recommendations for consideration by the Governor were submitted by state agencies in October. They are all posted on the OPM website. http://www.ct.gov/opm/cwp/view.asp?a=2961&Q=512714&PM=1

Rescissions: Governor Malloy announced rescissions on November 28, a number of which will have an impact on nonprofit organizations. The Governor has the ability to rescind up to 5% of any line item and 3% of any fund without seeking legislative changes to the state budget. http://www.ct.gov/opm/lib/opm/budget/2012 2013 biennial budget/DeficitMitigationPlan/Rescission TransmittalMemo 11282012.pdf

You will be receiving direct communications from your contracting state agencies about the specific impact on your contracts and the COLA calculations.

Deficit Mitigation Plan: The Governor will be submitting a Deficit Mitigation Plan to the General Assembly in early December. This plan will offer recommendations for eliminating the deficit for FY13 and must be approved and/or amended by the Legislature. The Governor is expected to recommend policy changes for addressing the additional \$200 M in deficiency beyond the \$170 M in the rescissions already issued. The Legislature is expected to hold a Special Session to act on the Deficit Mitigation Plan the week of December 17.

Legislature's Opening Day: The Legislature will convene on Wednesday, January 9, 2013.

Governor's FY14/15 Budget: The Governor is expected to issue his FY14/15 budget to the Legislature on Wednesday, February 6, 2013.

End of Legislative Session: The Legislature will adjourn on Wednesday, June 5, 2013.

GOVERNOR TO ADDRESS HIS CABINET ON NONPROFIT HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES 12/10/12

Governor Malloy will be attending a special meeting of the Governor's Cabinet on Nonprofit Health and Human Services. This is a public meeting. *All nonprofit providers are welcome to attend.*

Governor's Cabinet on Nonprofit Health and Human Services Monday, December 10, 2012 2:00 – 4:00 Legislative Office Building Room 2B

The Governor will be joining the Cabinet for a brief period of time starting at 2:00. Following his time with the group, the Cabinet will focus on the Governor's charge to the Cabinet for the coming year and discuss next steps and timeline.

- Report to the Governor October 1, 2012
- Cover Letter for October 1, 2012 Report

To receive communications about the Governor's Cabinet on Nonprofit Health and Human Services directly, email Valerie Clark: <u>Valerie.Clark@ct.gov</u>

HEALTH INSURANCE EXCHANGE TOWN HALL MEETINGS

The CT Health Insurance Exchange has set up a series of Town Hall meetings. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the Exchange from your perspective as an employer and your perspective as a nonprofit advocate.

http://www.ct.gov/hix/lib/hix/002483 CHIE flyer.pdf

<u>DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES OFFERS PURCHASING</u> <u>DISCOUNTS TO NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS</u>

http://das.ct.gov/cr1.aspx?page=106

RECENT NEWS FEATURING NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Send articles featuring your organizations to me. Here is an Op Ed published in CTnewsjunkie.com

OP-ED | Another Perfect Storm

by Gary Steck and Maureen Price-Boreland | Nov 19, 2012 9:56pm http://www.ctnewsjunkie.com/ctnj.php/archives/entry/op-ed another perfect storm/

MEMORANDUM REGARDING HURRICANE SANDY PUBLIC ASSISTANCE APPLICANT BRIEFING'S SCHEDULE

From Dana Conover, Connecticut Public Assistance Coordinator

Municipal governments; State Agencies; Tribal Organizations; and some private nonprofit organizations are eligible for certain types of federal disaster assistance through FEMA as a result of Hurricane Sandy - DR-4087-CT.

DESPP/DEMHS has scheduled a series of FEMA Public Assistance "Applicant Briefings" in Litchfield, Tolland and Windham Counties to provide important information about this assistance program to potential applicants. Attached for your reference is the schedule for these Applicants' Briefings. The Applicant Briefings will provide guidance on how to apply for federal assistance, deadlines to apply, and provide guidance on determining and maintaining eligibility for assistance under this important program.

At the briefings, applicants will be asked to complete a Request for Public Assistance (RPA) form and sign a Receipt of List of Assurances document. The remainder of the briefing will consist of an explanation of the application process by staff of the Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEMHS), followed by a question and answer period. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Public Assistance staff will also be available to answer questions.

It is ESSENTIAL that applicants send representatives to one of these briefings. You can attend the one in your region, or in another region if that works best for you. It is strongly recommended that the representative be your chief financial officer (or designee) or the head of your public works department (or designee).

We are also asking your help in informing special district governments and essential services Private Non-Profits that they may be eligible for Public Assistance.

If you have any questions, please contact Dana Conover, Public Assistance Coordinator, at 860-883-3904 or email dana.conover@ct.gov. Or contact Deputy Public Assistance Coordinator Mark Scerra, at (860) 256-0831 or email mark.scerra@ct.gov.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE APPLICANT BRIEFING'S SCHEDULE Wednesday, December 5th - Litchfield County, 10am-Noon -Bantam Fire Company 92 Doyle Road Bantam, CT 06750

Thursday, December 6th - Tolland County, 10am-Noon -Fire Training Facility 191 Merrow Road

Tolland, CT 06084

Friday December 7th – Windham County, 10am-Noon -NECCOG Office (Northeast CT Council of Governments) 125 Putnam Pike Dayville, CT 06241 (Killingly)

Monday December 10th – State Agencies, 10am-Noon -State Armory-EOC 360 Broad Street Hartford, CT 06105

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